

## 2007 KING COUNTY EMPLOYEE GIVING PROGRAM WHY SUPPORT ARTSFUND?

**ONE GIFT BENEFITS MANY.** Your gift to ArtsFund supports all of the arts in our area: music, dance, theatre, museums, opera and film.

**THE ARTS SHOULD BE ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE.** Your contribution keeps ticket prices reasonable and allows arts organizations to provide free and discounted tickets. Ticket income covers only half the costs of staging the performance.

**THE ARTS HAVE A HUGE ECONOMIC IMPACT.** Arts & heritage organizations add over \$1 billion in economic activity and attract educated workers and business to downtown cores.

**ARTS EDUCATION IS A VITAL COMPONENT OF A COMPLETE EDUCATION.** Your gift enables 70 arts organizations to support arts education by reaching out to 600,000 children throughout the Puget Sound area.

**THE ARTS ENHANCE THE LIVABILITY OF OUR REGION.** Your gift helps to protect our extraordinary quality of life. The arts not only inspire, entertain and educate, they also enrich and strengthen the fabric of our communities

**THE ARTS DEEPEN OUR HUMANITY.** Your gift to ArtsFund helps promote respect and an appreciation of all cultures.



## "OUR CREATIVITY AND OUR ECONOMIC FUTURE HAVE BECOME MUTUALLY DEPENDENT."

Bob Drewel, Puget Sound Regional Council and Prosperity Partnership

When creativity thrives, cities thrive. Areas become more vibrant. Restaurants and shops open. New housing is constructed and older housing is renovated. The region evolves, economically, intellectually, artistically.

To thrive, creativity needs support. Unfortunately, arts organizations cannot survive on ticket sales alone. That's why we need your help. With a single donation to ArtsFund, you can give to grand productions of opera, theater, symphony, dance and visual arts, cutting edge performance art and small neighborhood productions throughout Puget Sound.

There are more than 70 organizations in the Puget Sound region that operate with the help of you support – inspiring patrons and residents every day with art, dance and theater. The arts have a huge economic impact on the area as well. Arts and heritage organizations generate over \$1 billion in economic activity in the state and create 600 full and part-time jobs and \$465 million in payrolls. The arts don't just brighten our daily lives, but they also truly support our communities.

The Puget Sound is a great place to live. You can make it better by giving to ArtsFund.

"ART ALLOWS US TO FIND OURSELVES AND LOSE OURSELVES AT THE SAME TIME." Thomas Merton